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MEMORANDUM

TO: Boston Redevelopment Authority  
FROM: Edward J. Logue, Development Administrator  
SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH CITY GOVERNMENT CENTER COMMISSION

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*backing May 2000*  
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1. Upon the site (paragraph 1 and Attachment No. 1 of the letter).
2. Related to the responsibilities of the BRA and the Commission (paragraph 2 of the letter).
3. Upon the estimated price of the land to be conveyed (paragraph 2 of the letter).
4. On the terms of the Land Disposition Agreement (paragraph 3 and Attachment No. 2 of the letter). Among other things, the terms of the disposition agreement provide that:
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- e. The Commission will begin and complete construction by specified dates.
- 5. As to the time for executing the Land Disposition Agreement (paragraph 3 of the letter).
- 6. Upon the design objectives and land use and building controls of the Urban Renewal Plan relating to the City Hall site (paragraph 4 and Attachment No. 3 of the letter).
- 7. Upon a schedule to be followed by the BRA and the Commission (paragraphs 5 and 6 of the letter).
- 8. Upon schematic drawings of the City Hall (paragraph 7 and Attachment No. 4 of the letter). This design has received the strong endorsement of the Authority's Design Advisory Committee.

In summary, the letter and its attachments will insure a sound basis for further action by the BRA and the Commission. It will also insure that the development by the Commission will fully recognize the necessity of coordinating its plans for the buildings with the balance of the Government Center area for the proposed forty year duration of the plan.

A proposed appropriate vote of the Authority is attached.



VOTED: that the Development Administrator be authorized to acknowledge agreement of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, subject to subsequent HHFA concurrence, with the June 22 letter of Mr. Robert Morgan, Chairman, Government Center Commission of the City of Boston.

